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For : FRAGMENTS OF NUCLEIC ACIDS SPECIFIC TO MYCOBACTERIA WHICH ARE MEMBERS OF THE M. TUBERCULOSIS AND THEIR APPLICATIONS FOR THE DETECTION AND THE DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF MEMBERS OF THE M. TUBERCULOSIS COMPLEX

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit herewith: (1) a computer diskette containing the computer readable Substitute Sequence Listing for the above-identified patent application; (2) a paper copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing; and (3) a Statement under 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825 indicating that the paper copy is identical to the computer-readable copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing. No new matter is presented in the computer readable and written forms of the Substitute Sequence Listing. Entry of the Substitute Sequence Listing into the instant application is respectfully requested.